

City of Cleveland

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January 16, 2024

The Honorable Blaine A. Griffin President, Cleveland City Council 601 Lakeside Avenue Cleveland, OH 44114

Subject: Legislation Amended and Requested for Passage on January 22, 2024

Dear Council President Griffin,

We are requesting the following proposed legislation be passed under suspension on the first reading on January 22, 2024. The legislation is to authorize the Director of Community Development to enter into one or more contracts with the Northeast Ohio Coalition for Homelessness and The Metanoia Project, both Ohio non-profit corporations, to facilitate seasonal winter shelter for the City's unsheltered residents.

The legislation is regarding appropriation and expenditure of \$225,000 in funds towards seasonal emergency shelter in the City of Cleveland to ensure that unsheltered Cleveland residents have the opportunity for safe shelter, food and hydration, rest, care, and a pathway to housing during the winter months. This legislation is necessary to provide a stable environment during the core winter months for residents experiencing unsheltered homelessness to achieve a pathway to housing.

If you should have any additional questions or concerns, you may contact me at (216) 664-6617.

Sincerely,

Alyssa Hernandez, Director

Department of Community Development

cc:

All Members of Council

Patricia J. Britt, City Clerk, Clerk of Council

Ryan M. Puente, Chief Government Affairs Officer, Mayor's Office

Blaine A. Griffin, Council President